COMMITTEE ON ETHICS:

Congress of the United States

U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-0904

March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Appropriations Committee The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Jacksonville Beach Urban Trails Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Jacksonville Beach, located at 11 North Third Street, Jacksonville Beach, Florida 32250.

The funding for this project would be used to begin the City of Jacksonville Beach's Urban Trails Project, which will create a mixed-use trail system throughout the city. Specifically, these funds will be used to begin construction of the trail on 1st Street North, 15th Avenue North, 4th Street North, and 18th Avenue North, which includes Fletcher Middle School and San Pablo Elementary School.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the trail system will provide a safe and healthy way for residents and visitors of all ages to travel to destinations throughout the city, including to schools, businesses, residences, and recreational activities. Resolution NO. 2127-2022 of the Jacksonville Beach City Council adopted the Urban Trail Project master plan.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) of the Community Development Block Grant.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress